

WOMAN AND THE HOME-NEW SUMMER FASHIONS AND IDEAS-PRIZE SUGGESTIONS

CHILDREN IN THE WAR ZONE

By Ellen Adair

The Havoc of Homes

ALTHOUGH it is hard to believe that little children are now under fire and are trading back and forth between the trenches until the soldiers' hearts stand still with fear for them, this is happening all the time in northern France. The children—mere babies, some of them—bring milk and coffee, cigarettes and candy, together with all the resources of farm and village store. And they are always merry and light-hearted, even when the shells are bursting around them on every side. "We're shot to bits, but we take things as they come," said a little 9-year-old French girl optimistically. "The only thing that troubles us is grannie's rheumatism. You see, we've got to half a roof now, for a shell blew the rest off. The rain pours in, so we all sleep in the cellar!"



NEW STYLES IN SUMMER GOWNS

THE DAILY STORY

An Informal Affair

THE clams were just being uncovered and a mingled odor of seaweed, potatoes and other things cooking busily away, was borne deliciously on the breeze. Little Mademoiselle de Saint Cyr looked about her. The long table spread under the trees was covered with a white cloth and piled with dishes. Overhead the leaves rustled freshly and out beyond the sound, all blue and gold in the sunset light, rippled, and splashed upon great gray rocks where fountains, curled away into a wide feather of smoke. The French girl drew a quick breath of appreciation. How beautiful America was. It was her first visit to the United States and on landing in New York Mademoiselle de Saint Cyr had come directly to her aunt's place on the Connecticut shore. She was a young aunt, only a few years older than Alaine, and with a young and jolly husband. Alaine found herself caught at once into a round of gay outdoor life, a round which bewildered yet charmed her.

JUNE BRIDE ONCE GOT HER TROUSSEAU BEFORE SHE'D MET "THE RIGHT MAN"

And Never Took a Wedding Trip, as That Would Have Been Considered Bad Form. Clothes Less Expensive Then.

Nowadays no girl would consider that her new husband had the proper kind of affection for her if he didn't take her on some kind of a wedding trip. It might only be a few days at the seashore, but if it wasn't at least this the bridegroom would brand himself as a stinky, unsentimental chap at the outset. This hasn't been the case always. Time was when honeymoon trips were considered the very height of indecency. They were frowned upon in the best circles and only couples who had more money than sense, and no taste at all, were guilty of taking them.

JUNE BRIDES

This is the seventh of a series of articles appearing in the Evening Ledger on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, discussing the many questions that concern those about to be married—trousseaus, wedding rings, flowers, music, invitations and all, and who pays and why. had a hand in making everything, from the rag carpets, which were to be the floor coverings of her new home, to the home-woven blankets, excepting her wedding dress. On this she did not sew a stitch, because it was considered the very worst kind of bad luck. Her mother, her sisters and her aunts all had a say in its composition, unless, of course, the family was very well off, when a tried and trusted dressmaker took charge of it. She did not, however, charge the bank-breaking prices of today's modistes.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

AN UNEXPECTED FIND

DICK was a city boy and he lived in a big city flat. All his life he had heard about gardens and farms and country, but never had he seen a real garden, or a real farm, or a truly woods. He only knew what they were like from pictures and stories—which are not enough to give a boy a good idea, as you well know. Now when this particular spring came, Dick went to the park as he always had. And he admired the trees and the bushes and the grass, as he always had. But somehow this year that didn't seem to be enough for him. He wanted some place where he could dig and weed and work as the boys in the stories did.

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Two Summer Gowns

THE vogue for flowered fabrics, either in the form of Dolly Varden silks or simple little frocks of organdie, crepe, crepe de chine, etc., grows steadily as the summer draws near. Frilly creations of printed pink-and-white voile are also popular, and a new and decidedly practical innovation in trimming these frocks is the use of a taffeta or faille—sometimes Daphne silk—coated to wear with them. The coats shown in the illustration lace up the front like a peasant jacket, being cut short enough to show a full edge of the voile at the waist. Cord-plum of the voile at the waist. Cord-plum of the voile at the waist. Cord-plum of the voile at the waist.

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